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From: Joe Horenkamp <jhorenka@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, April 15, 2013 11:14 PM
To: Rep. Tom McMillin (District 45)
Cc: Joy Brewer
Subject: HB4455

TO: Criminal Justice committee chair, Rep. Kurt Heise.

I support HB4455. I would also support any bill that would provide Michiganders a bounty on shooting down these things if it can be done safely.

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From: R. George Dunn <rgeorgedunn@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, April 15, 2013 9:41 PM
To: Rep. Tom McMillin (District 45); Joy Brewer
Subject: HB4455 Drone Control

To: Criminal Justice Committee Chair, Representative Kurt Heise

Dear Sir,

House Bill 4455 is late in getting to our defense as Citizens of Michigan. Already drones are flying loosely over our private space, not to mention the danger of a police force with such unchecked power.

Please move this legislation through your committee with a vote of support. Be sure we have a buffer zone over our private property airspace, say 1,000 or more and the use of technology to invade private property be held the same as with a tape recording law.

Thank You,

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To whom it may concern:

My name is Jason Giroux and I am a resident of Fowlerville, MI. I am represented by Rep. Cindy Denby of the 47th House District.

I am writing to you today to express my enthusiastic support for H.B. 4455 (2013) introduced by Rep. Tom McMillin which regulates the use of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV). In an age of rapidly evolving technology and the unfortunate erosion of citizens' privacy rights and other civil liberties I believe that strong control and strict regulation of surveillance tools as sophisticated as UAVs is an action of paramount importance for the Michigan legislature.

This bill seeks to provide the steadfast and unequivocal protections for Michiganders that are needed to guarantee their privacy and protect their property from undue intrusion. It ensures that uses of UAV surveillance tools toe the line of legitimate police actions and also rightfully restrict the mounting of any form of weapons to such aircraft.

However, as excellent as this bill is in its current state, there are a series of proposals I would suggest to improve it. Please forgive my rudimentary citing technique, I am not overly accustomed to citing legislation. Here are my suggested changes to H.B. 4455 (2013):

- Section 12, subsection 2 of the act should be amended to explicitly include the same "adverse result" criteria as subsection 1 of the same section. This will ensure that courts understand that extensions to the delay of notification are under the same strict scrutiny for authorization as the initially granted delay.
- Section 13, subsection 1 of the act should be amended to include negligent violations of the act alongside willful or intentional violations of the act when instructing the department or local unit of government to determine if disciplinary action is warranted. Violating agents should be held accountable by their departments with disciplinary action for negligent violations of this act.
- Section 15, subsection 1, part G, subpart IV of the act should be amended to also require reporting of any use or deployment of a UAV pursuant to section 5, subsection B, part II. The public deserves to be notified when UAVs have been used without warrant or a court order as specified in section 5, subsection B, part II. Reporting on these uses of UAVs should include the full sworn statement of the supervisory official authorizing the emergency access which they were required to file.
- Finally, I believe the act also should be amended to explicitly state that state agents may not use or authorize the use of UAVs to aid with police or military actions of other states or the federal government if doing so would violate this act. While this is perhaps redundant, I think the clarification would solidify Michigan's stance on how these aircraft may be justly used in all scenarios. It would also protect state agents from conflicting commands or priorities which may result in costly legal battles for either the individual agents, their departments, or the state of Michigan.

I urge all members of the standing committee on Criminal Justice to pass H.B. 4455 with the amendments I mentioned above with a recommendation to the full House to pass it without delay. This is legislation that is in the direct interest of all Michiganders, has no place in any partisan politics, and is a necessary and proper action for the Michigan legislature to take immediately.

Regards,

Jason Giroux

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From: Darlene Littlejohn <darlittlejohn@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 17, 2013 10:28 AM
To: Rep. Tom McMillin (District 45)
Cc: Joy Brewer
Subject: HB4455

ATTENTION: Rep. Tom McMillin, Rep. Kurt Heise and Rep. Joy Brewer

I had hoped to be at the hearing this morning to support HB4455, Tom McMillin's drone bill. I am unable to make it, but I do want to register my support for this bill. There is no reason that drones should be spying on us without a warrant. Tom has left room for emergencies, as we have with most issues that require police action.

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